## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 766 By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to commend Katie Lanette Williams for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Katie Lanette Williams is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Lieutenant Governor John S. Wilder; Katie's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislator she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Katie has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science with minors in Psychology and Business Administration and a Pre-law emphasis, and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of several honor societies, including Tau Omicron, the Golden Key Society, Gamma Beta Phi, and Pi Sigma Alpha; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williams received the Outstanding Witness Award at the 2002 Regional Tournament of the American Mock Trial Association, and she and her teammates placed eighth at the National Championships held in Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, a standout on the remarkably talented team, Katie received the 2002

Outstanding New Witness Award for the Mock Trial Team at Middle Tennessee State

University; and

WHEREAS, a native of Lincoln County and an honors graduate of Lincoln County High School, Katie will graduate Cum Laude from Middle Tennessee State University on May 11, 2002; beginning in June, she will continue her studies in the Master's of Business Administration program at MTSU; upon completion of that degree, she plans to study law in order to best prepare herself for her career and her future service to others; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williams' accomplishments are a tremendous source of pride for her family; she is the daughter of Robert L. and Wanda W. Williams, the sister of Allison W. Heffington and Tyler L. Williams, the aunt of Coleman Perry Heffington, Chandler Preston Heffington, and Allie Katherine Heffington, and the sister-in-law of John D. Heffington and Paula T. Williams; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Katie is an active servant of her Lord and taught a preschool class at the Northside Church of Christ in Murfreesboro before moving to our Capital City in January; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Williams brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2002 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2002 legislative session, Ms. Williams has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, the tremendous character she has displayed during her tenure with the General Assembly surely bodes well for her future success; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Williams has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Katie Lanette Williams for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Lieutenant Governor John S. Wilder and extend to her our best wishes for every future success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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